

Setting up of Steel Plant

396. SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO : Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state :

(a) the number of Steel Plants proposed to be set up in the state of Orissa in the private sector;

(b) the places identified for the purpose;

(c) the progress made in case of each project; and

(d) the details of the private sector companies who are setting up these steel plants in that state?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINISTER OF MINES (SHRI BIRENDRA PRASAD BAISHYA) : (a) to (d) Updated information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha.

Discontinuation of Train between Purna and Parli

397. SHRI SURESH R. JADHAV : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether 347 UP and 348 DN train between Purna and Parli in South Central Railways has been discontinued; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to restart this train at its original time schedule ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN) : (a) and (b) The run of 347 /348 Purna-Parli passenger which had been discontinued, has been restored w.e.f. 23.09.97.

Bomb on Railway Track

398. KUMARI SUSHILA TIRIYA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the total number of bombs found on the Railway line tracks since July 97;

(b) whether the Government have arrested any one/ group in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof ; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN) : (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

[Translation]**Action Plan of Railways**

399. SHRI JAYSINH CHAUHAN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Railways has formulated a 14-point action plan for generating additional resources and a 13-point action plan for reducing administrative expenditure;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the measures proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN) : (a) to (c) Zonal Railways have been asked to curtail administrative expenditure and augment earnings as under :

I. Areas of curtailment of administrative expenditure:

1. Hospitality expenditure
2. Commercial advertisements and publicity
3. Air Travel
4. Other travelling expenses
5. Postage/Courier Service
6. Overtime allowances in Offices
7. Fees and Honoraria
8. Petrol/Diesel for road vehicles
9. Telephone charges especially STDs
10. Seminars/ Workshops/Trainings
11. Photo-Copiers, fax machines
12. Procurement of furniture and fixtures
13. Stationery

II. Measures to augment earnings:

1. Close monitoring of loading and efforts to step up targets.
2. Aggressive marketing to attract high-rated traffic and avoiding diversion of core traffic.
3. Curbing of Ticketless travels.
4. Proper accountal of TTEs money.
5. Correct classification of Commodities, rating, weighting and routing according to extant orders.

6. Concerted drive for recovery of dues from outsiders and staff.
7. Effective steps to prevent losses due to claim cases and to check unjustifiable refund/waival of wharfage and demurrage charges.
8. Prompt realisation of amounts paid through credit notes and other instruments.
9. Maximum realisation from sale of scrap.
10. Reduced rates for traffic offered in empty direction.
11. Increased movement of fertilizer and cement in open wagons.
12. Effective use of station to station rates for attracting more traffic.
13. Compensation claims to be minimised.
14. Encouragement to Freight Forwarders to attract more traffic.

[English]

DD Centres in Kerala

400. SHRI T. GOVINDAN : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the details of Doordarshan centres in Kerala alongwith the capacity thereof as on September 1997, location-wise;

(b) the details of programmes prepared by these centres during 1996-97;

(c) whether the programmes prepared by the local talents are telecast by these centres;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to telecast such programmes?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY) : (a) The requisite details are given in the enclosed Statement.

(b) Doordarshan Kendra, Tiruvananthapuram is the only programme producing centre in Kerala. It is originating the following programmes: Folk, sports, children, youth, employment news, Tamil malar, devotional songs, literary, science, environment, consumer, quiz, industrial, family welfare, health, law, classical music, light music, dance, Kathakali, cultural round up, agricultural, newsreel, interviews, viewer forum, thiranotham, topical discussion,

film based programmes and headline news and regional news.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.

Statement

Location-wise details of Transmitters along with their capacities functioning in the State of Kerala as on date

| Sl.No. | Type of Transmitter & its location | Capacity of the Transmitter |
|--------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. | HPT Cochin | 10 KW |
| 2. | HPT Trivandrum | 10 KW |
| 3. | HPT Calicut (INT) | 1 KW |
| 4. | LPT Adoor | 100 W |
| 5. | LPT Attappadi | 100 W |
| 6. | LPT Cannanore | 100 W |
| 7. | LPT Changanacherry | 100 W |
| 8. | LPT Chengannur | 300 W |
| 9. | LPT Idukki | 100 W |
| 10. | LPT Kalpetta | 100 W |
| 11. | LPT Kanhangarh | 100 W |
| 12. | LPT Kasargod | 100 W |
| 13. | LPT Kayamkulam | 100 W |
| 14. | LPT Mallapuram | 100 W |
| 15. | LPT Palghat | 100 W |
| 16. | LPT Pathanamthitta | 100 W |
| 17. | LPT Punalur | 100 W |
| 18. | LPT Shoranur | 100 W |
| 19. | LPT Tellicherry | 100 W |
| 20. | LPT Thodupuzha | 100 W |
| 21. | LPT Trichur | 100 W |
| 22. | LPT Calicut (DDII) | 100 W |
| 23. | LPT Cochin (DD II) | 100 W |
| 24. | LPT Trivandrum (DD II) | 100 W |
| 25. | VLPT Kanirapalli | 2 X 10 W |
| 26. | VLPT Devikolam | 2 X 10 W |